Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, The SuAnne Big Crow Boys & Girls Club, the first chartered Boys & Girls Club on Native Lands, has been serving youth in Pine Ridge since 1992 and is celebrating 20 years of service; and,

Whereas, Over 500 youth in the Pine Ridge area benefit every year from positive youth development programs and professional role models that encourage them to accomplish the goals and ideals that SuAnne Big Crow accomplished in her lifetime; and,

Whereas, The SuAnne Big Crow Boys & Girls Club support youth educational and spiritual growth through academic pursuits, sports, and health and wellness, and also increases cultural awareness among all people and provide youth with recreational facilities, scholarships, and opportunities to empower them to make healthy choices; and,

Whereas, The SuAnne Big Crow Boys & Girls Club will continue to pave the way for the 200 Native American Boys & Girls Clubs that serve 88,000 youth in Indian Country; and,

Whereas, The SuAnne Big Crow Boys & Girls Club will continue to do their part in laying the groundwork for the future generations of Oglala Lakota with support of the tribal community, caring and concerned state, national, and global leaders and supporters, and parents who will join the efforts of putting the needs of our children and teens at the forefront of our priorities:

Now, Therefore, I, Dennis Daugaard, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim June 2, 2012, as

SUANNE BIG CROW
BOYS & GIRLS CLUB DAY

in South Dakota.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Thirty-first Day of May in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Twelve.

Dennis Daugaard

Dennis Daugaard, Governor

Attest:

Judy A. Larson, Exec. Asst.

Jason M. Gant, Secretary of State